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Mission Statement

One of the goals of the Family Court - Juvenile Division is to reduce the number of juveniles unnecessarily confined to the detention center.

In addition, one of the Court's missions is to determine the appropriate level of detention for a juvenile alleged to have committed an offense. In doing so, it is the policy of the Family Court – Juvenile Division to select the least restrictive alternative available that will maintain community safety.



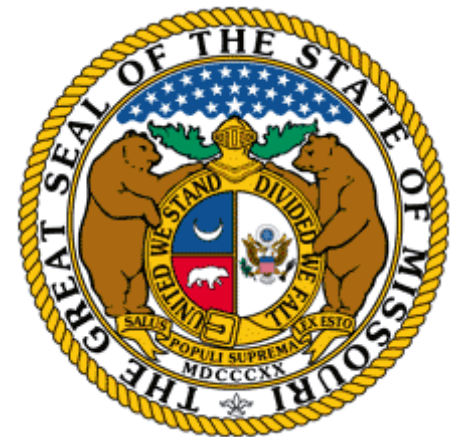
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Electronic Monitoring Program



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Dedicated to reducing disparity in
Detention while maintaining public safety

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Electronic Monitoring is the newly implemented effort of the St. Louis City Family Court developed to divert juveniles from the detention center while monitoring their activities in the community. The programs borrow from other successful electronic monitoring programs and the basic principles of Detention Reform. Juveniles are held accountable for violations by the swift application of a graduated sanction system.

What is Electronic Monitoring?

Electronic Monitoring, also referred to as "Home Detention", is a method of monitoring a juvenile out in the community who, in the past, might have been detained.

Electronic monitoring is a general term used to describe a wide range of systems and system components. The electronic monitoring options currently available to the Family Court - Juvenile Division are home monitoring devices, ankle bracelets, and a voice verification system, better known as VoiceID.

The home monitoring device is installed in the juvenile's home for use with a transmitter, also known as an ankle bracelet, that the juvenile wears at all times.

Ankle bracelets are worn by the juvenile to signal whether the juvenile is within an approved range. The ankle bracelets are:

- * Light and manageable, no bigger than a pack of cigarettes.
- * Shockproof and waterproof, allowing the juvenile to work, bathe, or swim without damaging the transmitter's internal parts or overall structure.
- * Tamperproof, so the offender cannot interfere with its effectiveness.



VoiceID uses voiceprinting, a type of biometric authentication, similar to fingerprinting, to confirm the identity of an individual. Like fingerprinting, the voiceprint of an individual is unique to and can accurately identify that individual.

The VoiceID system randomly calls the juvenile at various times and locations according to the juvenile's predefined schedule. The juvenile can also call the system at set times, from approved phone numbers. The system verifies that the juvenile is at the specified location or else notifies the Court that the juvenile is in violation.

There are a number of benefits of VoiceID. The component:

- 1) Provides non-intrusive, equipment-free, telephone-based monitoring;
- 2) Allows officers to listen to actual verification sessions;
- 3) Allows agencies to manage clients, client data, alerts, and generate reports; and is
- 4) Able to set inbound and outbound call schedules.

